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## Voluntary Database Systems What You Need to Know



### Who May Benefit?

Individuals with Autism, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD), and Alzheimer's or related dementias, or mental health conditions that require individualized approaches to engagement with law enforcement.



### What Are They?

- Allow individuals and families to voluntarily register with law enforcement, providing detailed information so that first responders are better equipped to respond to emergencies.



### Where to Find Them?

- Contact your local law enforcement agency to check if they offer a voluntary registration system.



### When Are They Used?

- To help officers interact more effectively; to reduce the need of information gathering during emergencies; to expedite searches for individuals who have wandered.



Autism  
Society



The Arc

For people with intellectual  
and developmental disabilities





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## Understanding Voluntary Database Systems

Voluntary database systems offer an extra layer of protection by giving law enforcement key information ahead of time, leading to quicker response times during emergencies. This advanced insight helps first responders facilitate **person-centered, informed interactions**, especially when supporting individuals who may be at risk of wandering.

**It's essential to keep the registry information current and updated.**



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